GREETINGS! NORTH BRANCH PRESCHOOL FAMILIES 2023 - 2024!

We are so excited for the new school year ahead, and for every precious moment to come!

Some things you'll want to know:

If you have any remaining school paperwork, it needs to be turned into the office **before August 31st**, the first day of school.

Arrival: Children arrive between **8:30** and **8:45**. Parents walk their children into the classroom where they are greeted and checked in, and help them with placing their belongings into their cubby.

All children need to be encouraged to use the bathroom and wash hands before heading out with parents to the playground, where they are greeted by staff.

Departure: Parents/ or assigned pick-up persons arrive for **pick-up** at **12:30**.

Upcoming Play Date: On Tues, August 22 from 10:00-11:30 This playdate is for Preschool and Early Primary students and families. It is a great way for everyone to meet each other, and for the kids to become familiar with their new classmates, teachers and school. There will be lots of fun things to do on the playground, and sweet watermelon too.

Home Visits: The home visit is a wonderful opportunity to spend time with **new children and families**, getting to know one another, and to engage with your little one in the comfort of their own environment. There will be a sign up sheet for home visits at our play date on Tuesday, August 22.

Class Supplies: Please send the following items to be placed in your child's individual art supply box:

- Magic Markers (washable) thick or thin types
- Colored pencils
- Watercolor paint set
- Kid scissors (unless you child brought some last year)
- Roll of scotch tape

Other items:

- Tissues
- Wet wipes (not disinfectant types)

Items we use frequently that would be helpful:

- Play dough ingredients- unbleached flour, cream of tartar
- White rice for the rice table
- Zip lock bags (gallon, quart, small size)

Water bottles and lunch boxes must be labeled with your child's name and dated daily, as per licensing standards.

Labeled water bottle: Water bottles with attached caps that flip over the straw are good.

Lunch & Snack; Please send both **snack** and **lunch**. Snack is to be placed separately in cubby for quick access at snack time.

Inside slip on shoes: These will stay in the classroom and should be ones the child can easily put on and take off.

Change of clothes: To be left at school (and changed seasonally). Rain gear is important; rain boots and raincoat with a head covering can be left in cubby or brought in on inclement days.

Questions welcomed! Please contact us ~ gerryb@nbsva.org

Enjoy your last month of summer!!! Gerry, Nene, Stephanie